



DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION

FLEETCENTER, BOSTON

July 26-29, 2004



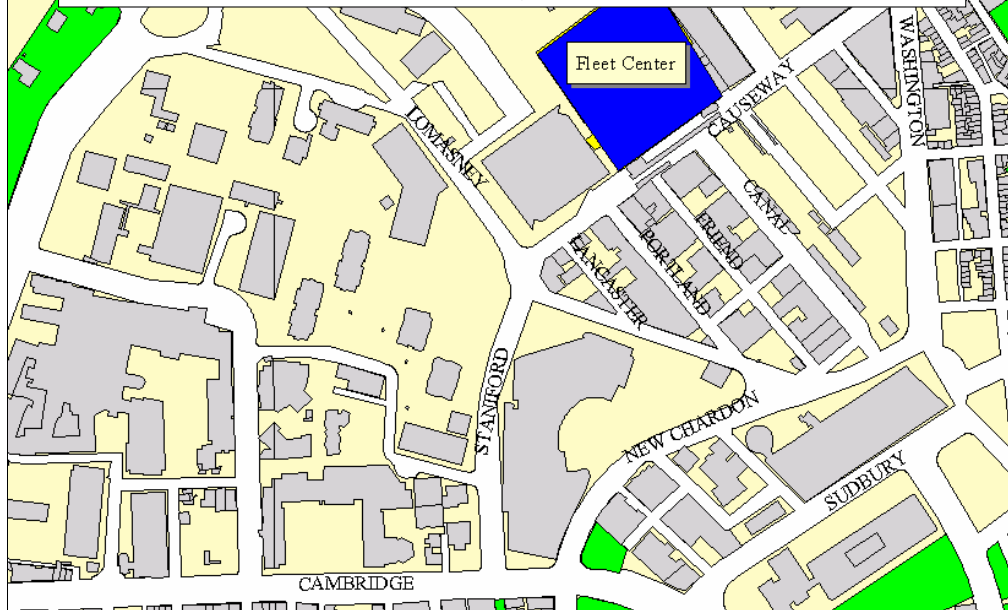
DNC 2004
FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION SINCE 9-11

This will be the first National Convention since 9-11. Given the great significance of this event to the Nation's Democratic process, we need to make sure those who live, work and are visiting Boston during this time are kept safe.

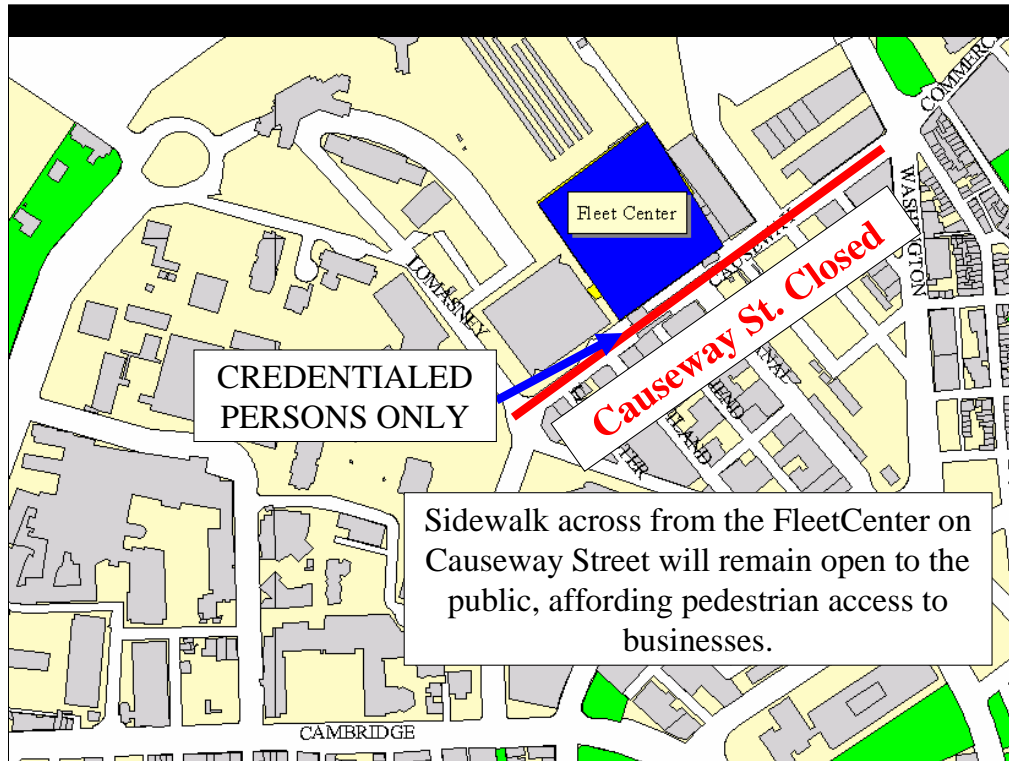


The DNC has been designated a National Special Security Event (NSSE). This designation entitles us to the use of Federal assets in securing the event, and the City during this time. This means that Federal Law Enforcement agencies, including the United States Secret Service (USSS), Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), and the Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), will be working hand in hand with the Boston Police Department and the Massachusetts State Police.

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Causeway Street will be closed for the duration of the convention, accessible by credentialed personnel only.

The sidewalk across the street from the FleetCenter on Causeway will remain open, affording access to all of the businesses there.

Effects on Transportation:

**MBTA, HIGHWAYS, MAJOR
ROADWAYS, PARKING
RESTRICTIONS
& USAGE OF BOSTON HARBOR**



Based on plans for securing the City of Boston, decisions have been made that will affect how you get into, out of, and around in the City.

In this presentation we will give you details on how it will effect the MBTA, the impact on major roadways, parking restrictions, and use of the harbor.

Highway/Major Roadway Closures or Restrictions:

**Planned for the late afternoon hours
of July 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th.**



Moving on to the effect on major roadways.

Traffic restrictions and/or closures are scheduled to take place in the late afternoon hours from July 26th through the 29th.

Highway/Major Roadway Closures or Restrictions:

AFFECTED ROADWAYS:

- **I-93 NORTH AND SOUTH**
- **ROUTE 1/TOBIN BRIDGE/SUMNER TUNNEL
(INBOUND)**
- **STORROW DRIVE**
- **MEMORIAL DRIVE**
- **I-90 MASS PIKE**

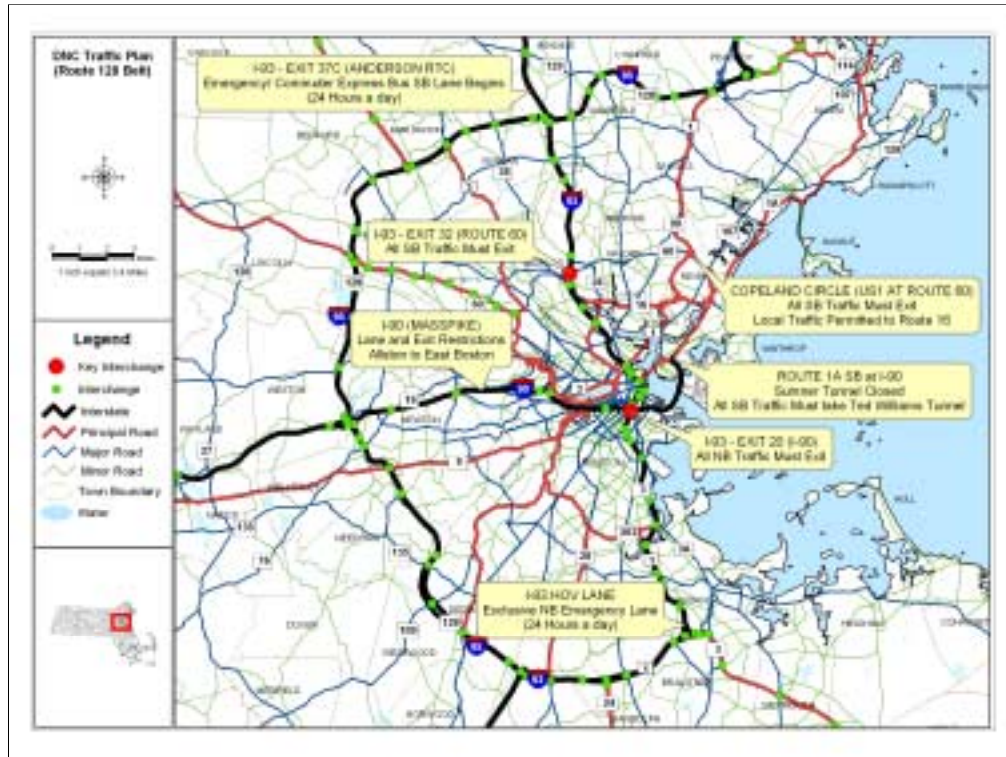
Roadways that will be shut down or have restrictions on them include: Interstate-93 North and South, Route 1/the Tobin Bridge and the Sumner Tunnel (inbound), Storrow Drive, Memorial Drive and the Mass Pike.

Highway/Major Roadway Closures or Restrictions:

- Based on traffic studies, we need to reduce motor vehicle traffic to Boston by **at least 50%**



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During the late afternoon/evening hours only, from the 26th through the 29th a section of Interstate 93 North and South, leading into the City of Boston will be closed to **inbound** traffic at Exit 32 to the North, and to **inbound** traffic at exit 20, coming from the south.

All but a few of the **outbound** on ramps leaving Boston will remain open 24-hours. Route 1/The Tobin Bridge and the Sumner Tunnel, **inbound** to Boston will also be shut down during the late afternoon/evening hours.

(Route 1 and the Tobin **outbound** will remain open).

During the restricted late afternoon/evening hours the Leverett Connector will be closed in both directions, and on I-90/the Mass Pike, expect lane & exit restrictions from Allston to East Boston.

MUCH MORE DETAIL ON EACH OF THESE COMPONENTS OF THE EVENING RESTRICTIONS WILL BE GIVE IN THE NEXT SEVERAL SLIDES.



HIGHWAY/MAJOR ROADWAY CLOSURES OR RESTRICTIONS:

- **Dedicated lane for emergency vehicles and pre-designated MBTA buses.**
- **No HOV lane I-93 North or South.**

Public Safety issues that will further impact traffic. -----

There will be a dedicated lane from the 23rd through the 30th, 24 hours a day, for use by emergency vehicles and pre-designated MBTA buses.

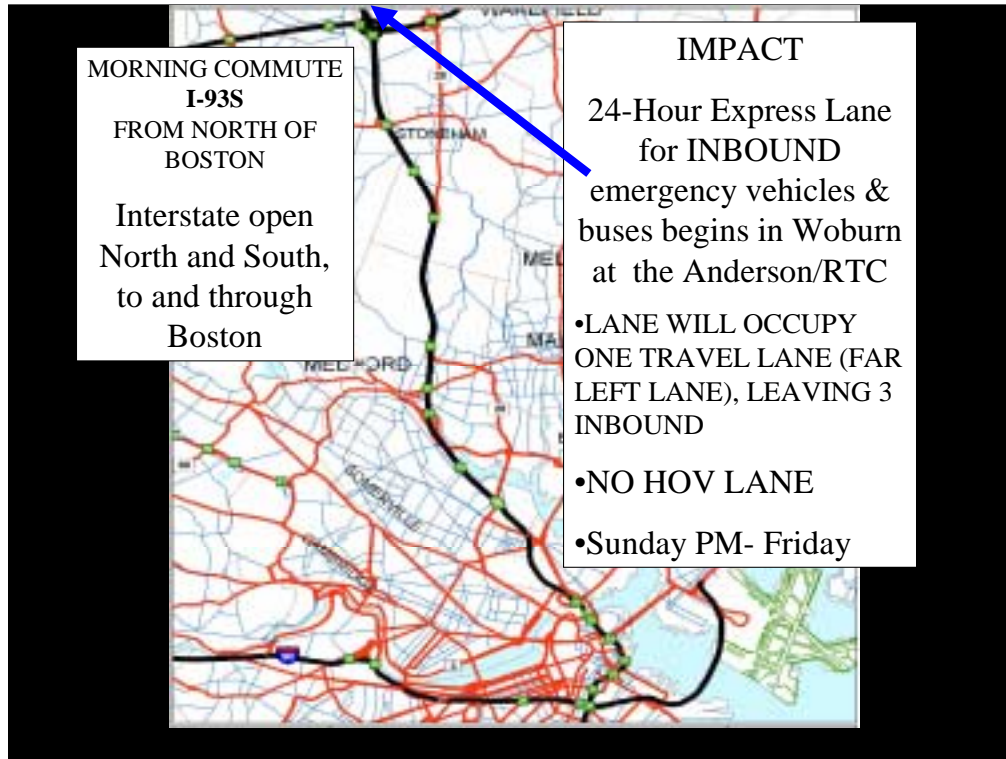
There will **not** be an HOV lane on I-93 North or South during the morning or evening commute during the convention.

This lane will occupy one travel lane on I-93 North and South 24 hours a day, for the duration of the convention, FURTHER IMPACTING TRAFFIC.



**I-93
NORTH OF
BOSTON

CLOSURES OR
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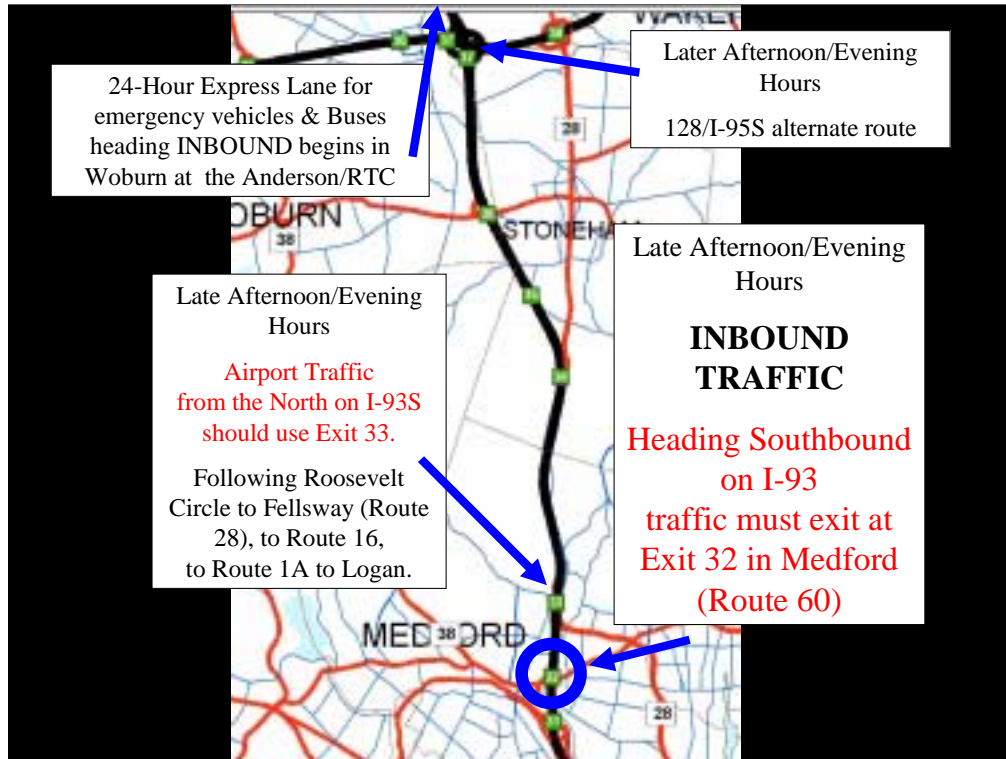


The morning commute on I-93 from north of the City will be impacted by the fact that the express lane for emergency vehicles and buses heading inbound begins in Woburn at the Anderson/RTC

Lane will occupy one travel lane, leaving 3 for the commute

No HOV/carpool lane which is normally in place from Somerville into Boston

Emergency vehicle lane in place 24-hours a day, further impacting traffic



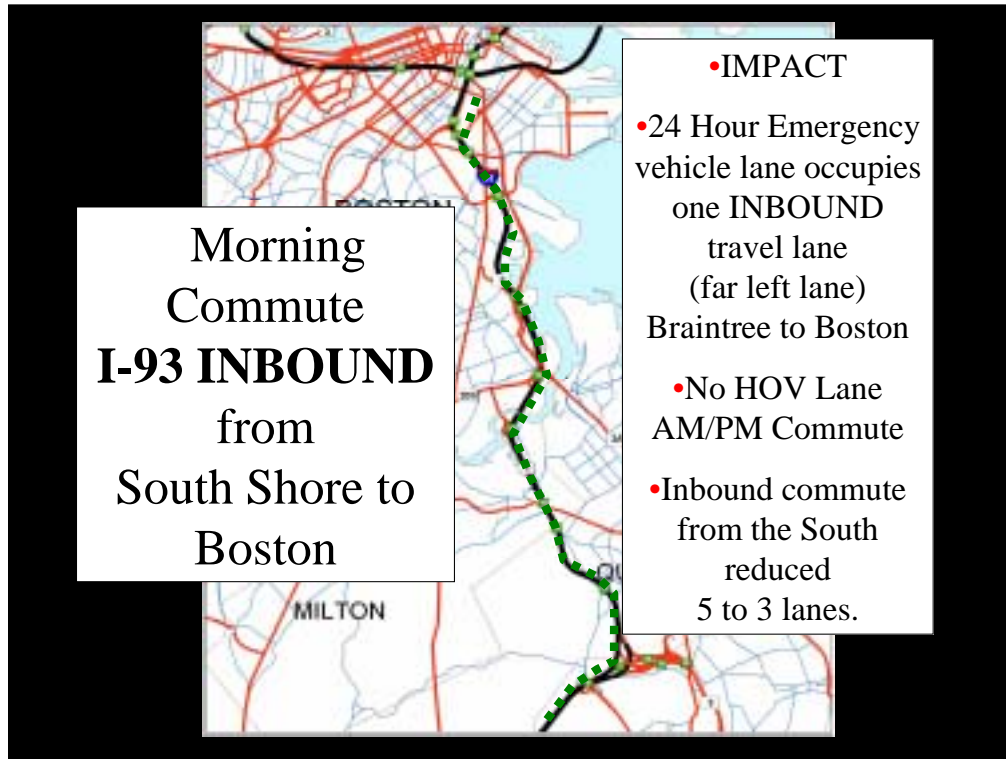
Traffic coming on 93 South, INBOUND from North of the City will be re-routed at Exit 32, Route 60 in Medford.

Airport traffic coming from the north should use Exit 33 Roosevelt Circle. Take Roosevelt Circle to Fellsway (Route 28), to Route 16, to Route 1A to Logan.

Another reminder, the emergency express lane will start in Woburn, near the Anderson/RTC, just north of I-95, further impacting traffic



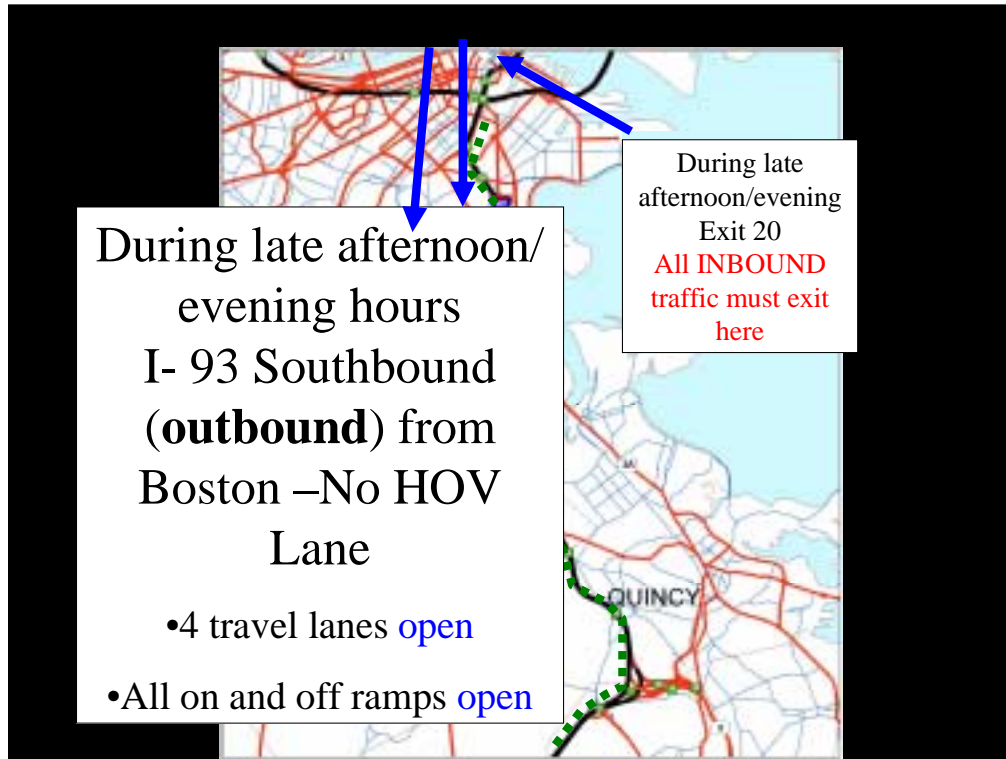
**I-93
SOUTH OF
BOSTON
CLOSURES OR
RESTRICTIONS:**



Traffic traveling from the South Shore, during the morning commute, up until the late afternoon or early evening hours will run with minimal changes.

I-93 southbound (outbound) from the City will not be impacted, inbound an emergency vehicle lane will occupy one travel lane inbound from Braintree to Boston 24-hours a day (This express lane will occupy far left inbound travel lane).

There will be no HOV lane during either commute (the lane normally used as morning inbound HOV lane, will be used for emergency lane. Inbound morning commute will be reduced from 5 to 3 lanes. Outbound remains consist with 4 lanes for morning or evening commute.



During late afternoon/evening restricted hours, I- 93 Southbound (outbound) from Boston-No HOV Lane

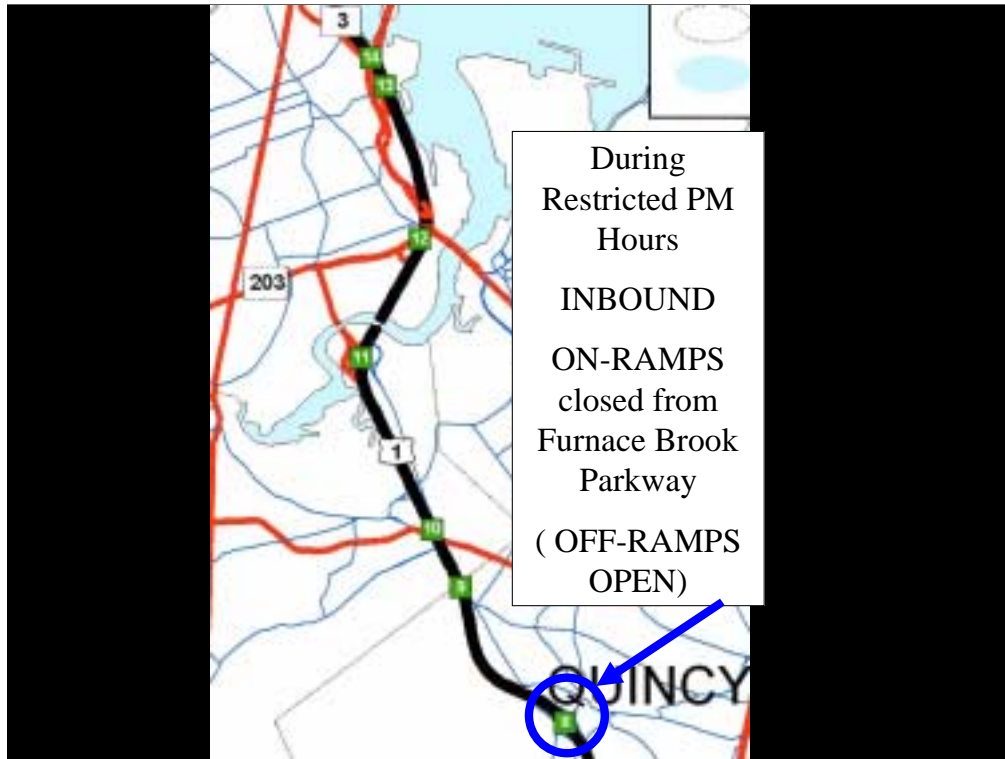
4 outbound travel lanes open

On and off ramps open

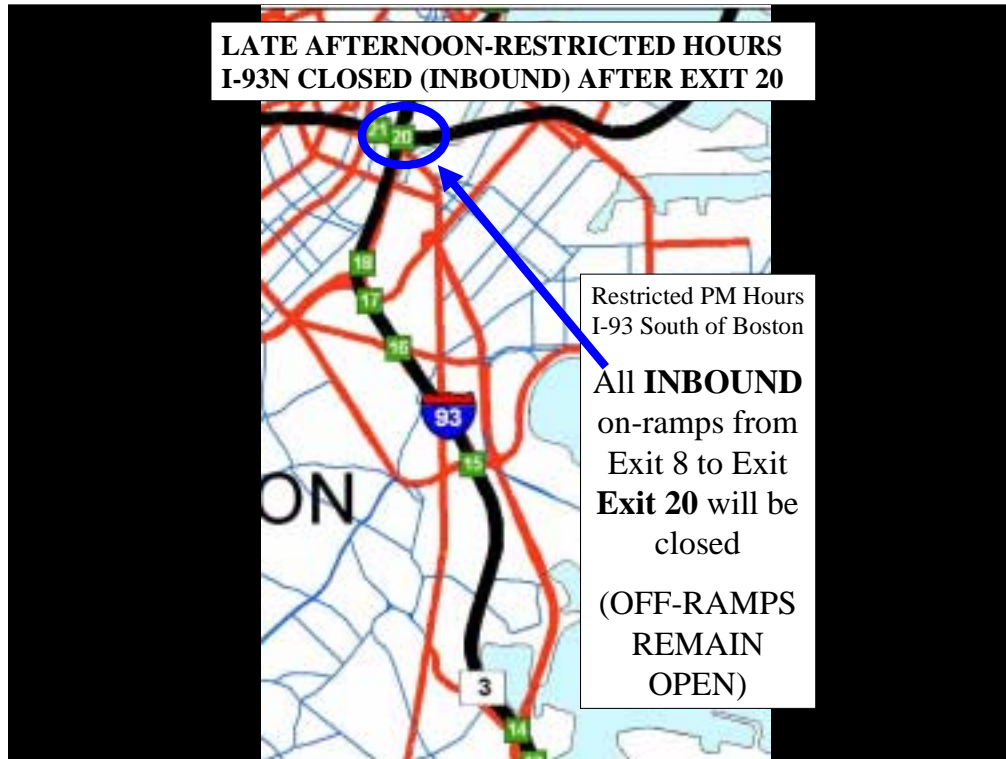
All INBOUND traffic must exit at Exit 20



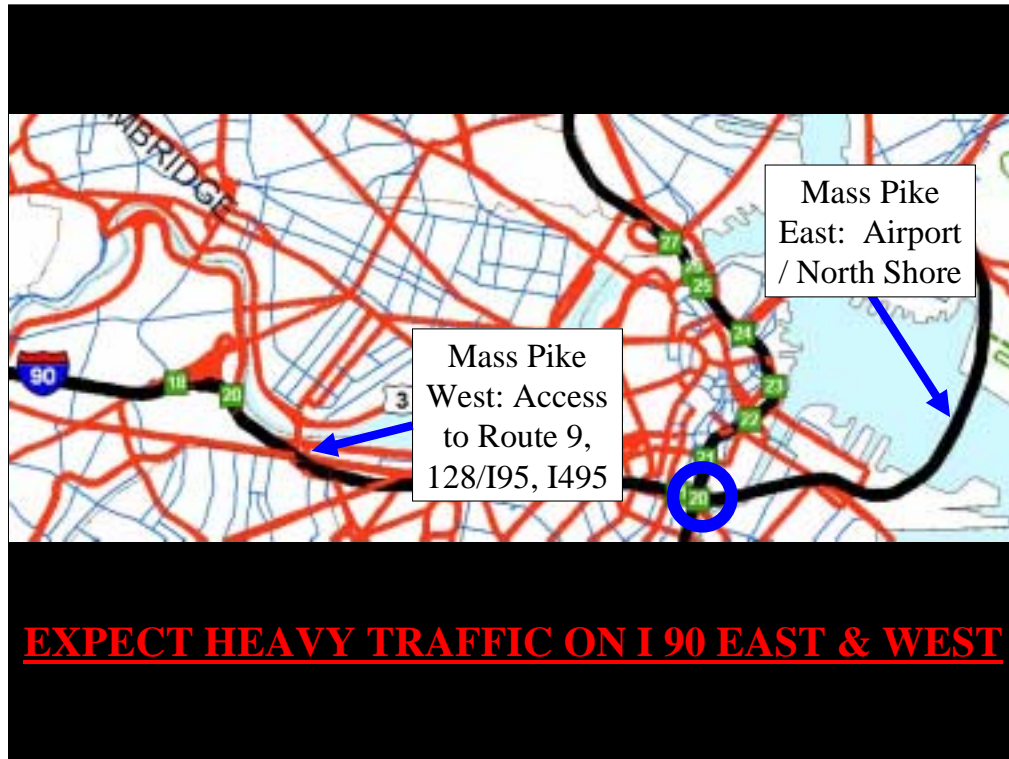
Traffic traveling to 93 Northbound, from the South Shore, will be informed at the Braintree split, that 93 North is for local and airport traffic only, during the restricted hours.



During restricted late afternoon hours, the local OFF RAMPS will remain open, but all of the ON-RAMPS will be CLOSED from Exit 8, Furnace Brook Parkway...
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...to Exit 20 where the Interstate will be shut down.

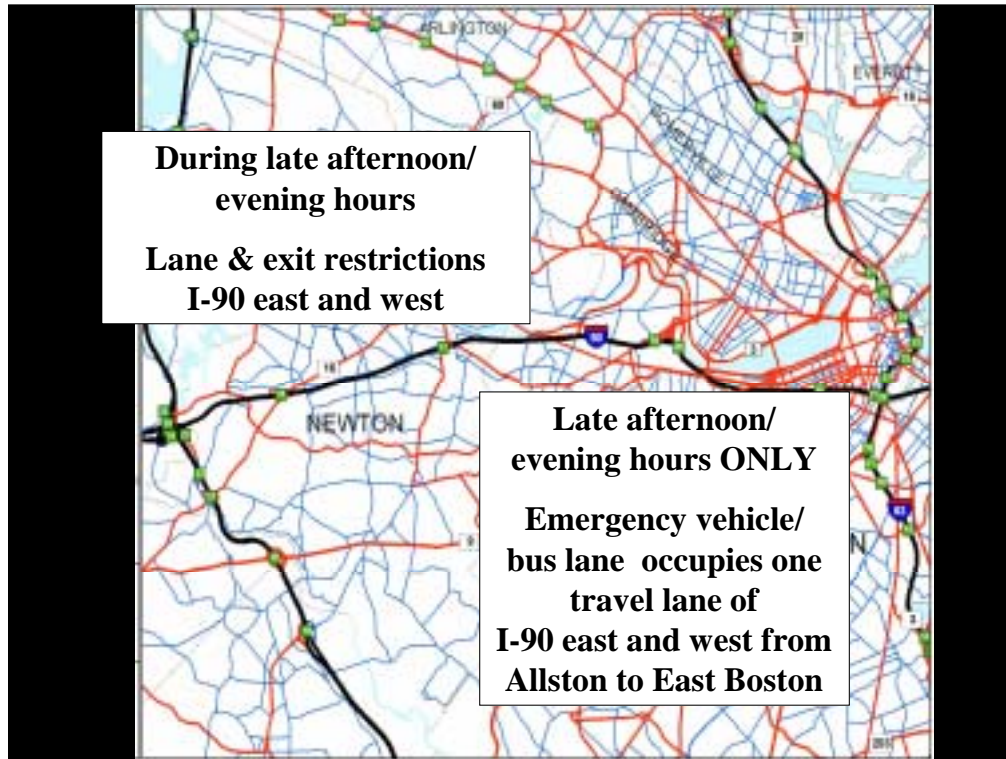


All cars will be re-routed at Exit 20.

This will give motorists access to I-90 (the Mass Pike) East and West. I-90 East will take you to Logan airport, or the North Shore, and I-90 West outbound, will connect you to Route 9, Route 128/I-95, or Interstate 495

The route to the Airport from the west doesn't change, however you should expect very heavy traffic in both directions.

Exit 20 also gives you local access through the City. Traffic will no doubt be very heavy on Frontage Road.



During the restricted hours, I-90/ The Mass Pike may have some lane restriction East and West. Exits may be closed or restricted to pre-designated buses and emergency vehicles.

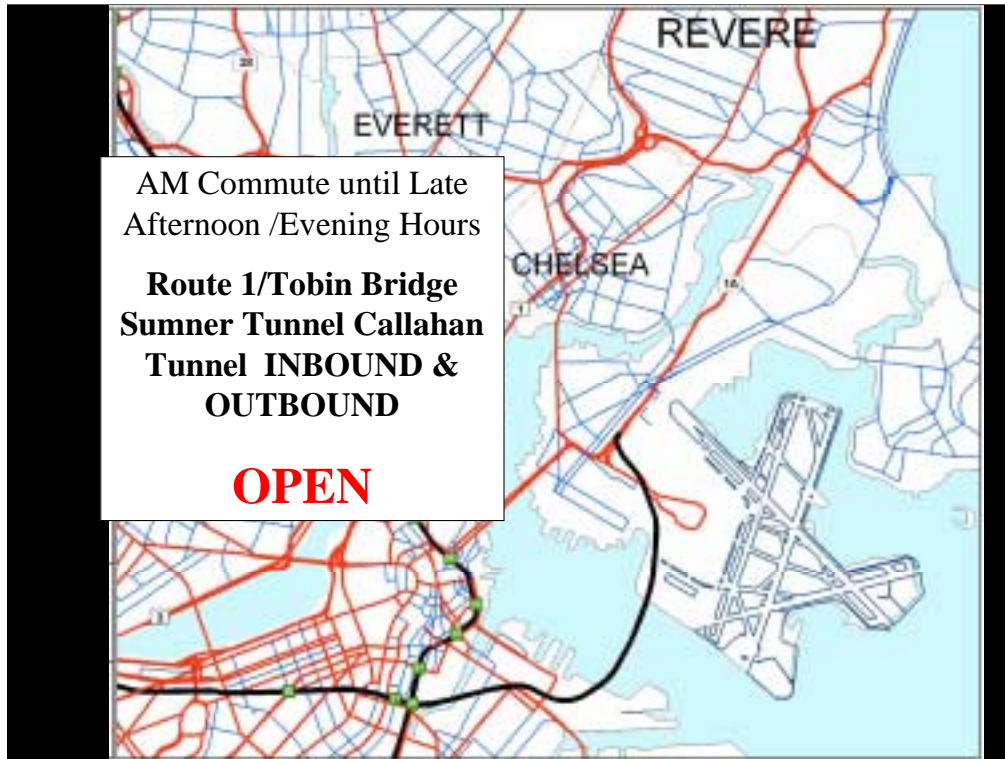
During the late afternoon/restricted hours only: One travel lane from Allston to Boston, on both the east and west sides of the Pike will become a designated lane for buses and emergency vehicles. Again, this express lane will ONLY be in place on the pike during the restricted hours in the late afternoon.

There are no plans, to shut down the pike for any periods during the DNC.



**ROUTE 1
TOBIN BRIDGE
SUMNER TUNNEL
INBOUND**

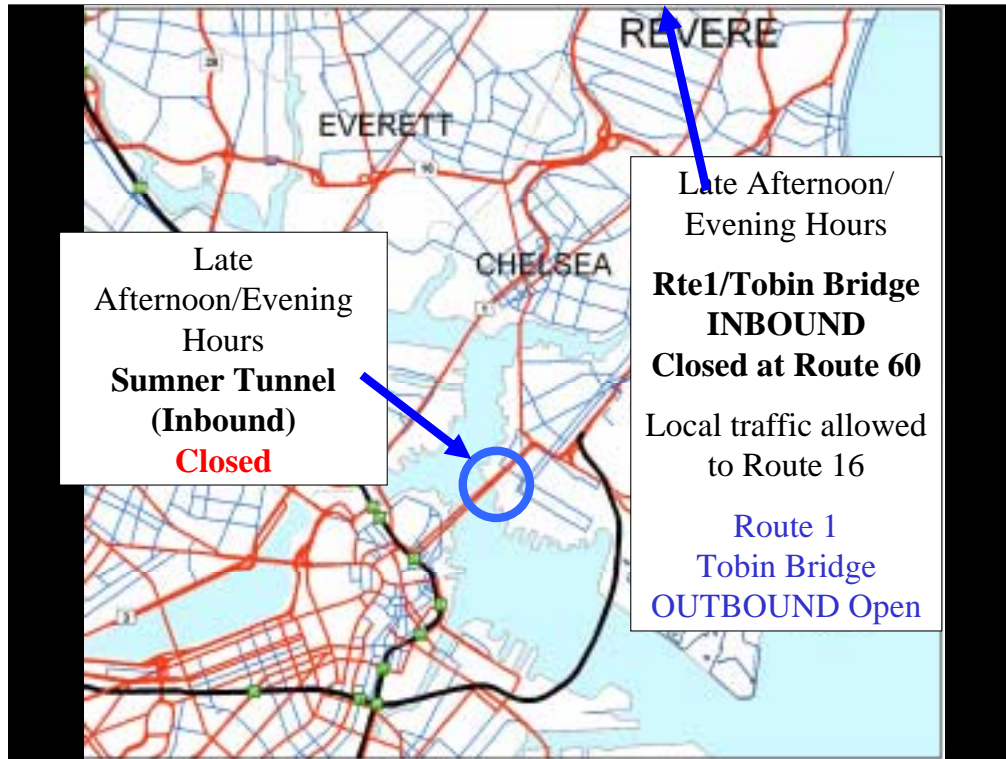
**CLOSURES OR
RESTRICTIONS:**



During the morning commute, until the late Afternoon/Evening Hours when the inbound restrictions begin:

Route 1/the Tobin Bridge, the Sumner and Callahan Tunnels INBOUND & OUTBOUND

are all OPEN and unrestricted



During the late afternoon (the same time frame I-93 will be affected), **INBOUND** traffic from Route 1 over the Tobin Bridge will be shut down and re-routed at Route 60, Copeland Circle in Revere.

Local traffic only will be allowed further south on Route 1, to Route 16, with no through access on route 1 to Boston.

The Sumner Tunnel which also carries inbound traffic will be closed.

The Tobin Bridge/Route 1 **OUTBOUND** will remain open. There is no scheduled closure of the Callahan Tunnel, but intermittent closures are likely between 4-8pm, as protestors and delegate buses are expected to impact traffic in this area.

Airport traffic from the North Shore should use Route 1A.

Leverett Connector Closed in Both Directions

Restricted PM Hours (ONLY)

Connector open to traffic the rest of the day

- Storrow Drive and Memorial Drive will be impacted during closure of the connector.

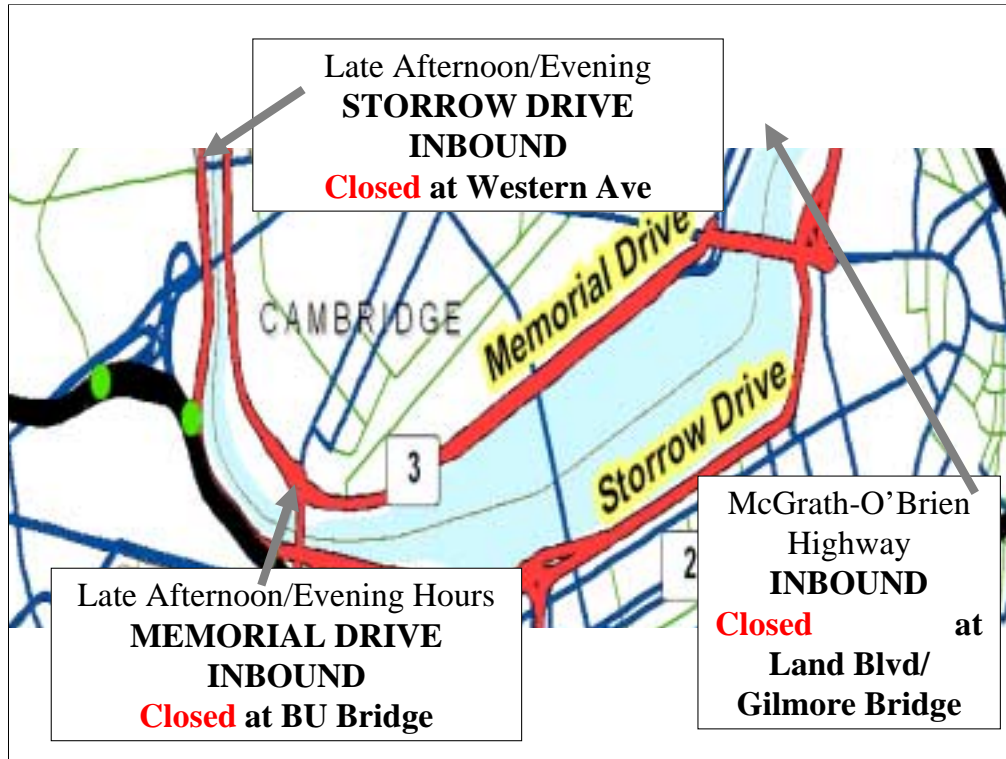


Morning Commute until
Late Afternoon/Evening Restrictions
Storrow/Memorial Drives & McGrath-O'Brien Hwy
INBOUND/OUTBOUND
OPEN



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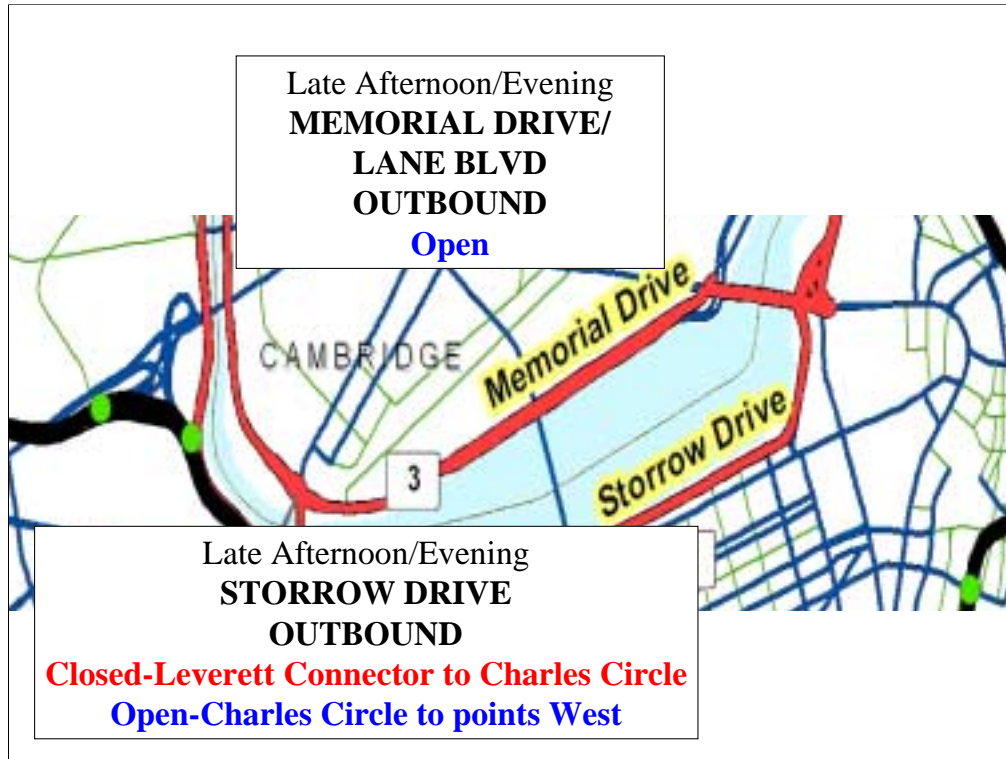
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Highway/Major Roadway Closures or Restrictions:

****Even with the FULL cooperation of the motoring public, the remaining traffic will experience **SIGNIFICANT** delays****

If at all possible, avoid driving through the City.

- Alternate routes: Route 128, I-95, I-495.

Bottom line:

If possible, avoid driving through the city during the four days of the convention.
Suggested alternate routes include: Route 128, I-95 and 495.



Commercial Vehicle Inspections:

All commercial vehicles coming into the City are reminded that State Police Inspection Teams will be out in full force doing random checks of commercial vehicles coming into the City.



Maintaining MBTA Service During the DNC

**North Station will close for
a week, beginning late
Friday July 23rd and
reopening midday Friday
July 30th**

Starting off with the T:

North Station sits below the Fleet Center, and usually services 24 thousand travelers daily

Careful examination of the area by law enforcement determined closing North Station is the best way to ensure the safety of commuters and those attending and working at the convention.

Because North Station will be closed for a week, we have some information about how the MBTA plans to maintain service during the DNC.



Existing North Station Area Transit

- Orange Line
- Green Line + shuttle
- Commuter Boats
- Bus Routes
- Commuter Rail

These are the lines that normally run out of North Station.

 Note to presenter: Details may be helpful with certain groups, or on questions.

Orange Line: **8,400 passengers** at North Station each way. Provides a major north-south connection within Boston (Downtown, Back Bay, Roxbury, JP) and to inner suburbs such as Malden and Medford.

Green Line: **5,300 passengers** at North Station each way. Provides a major east-west connection within Boston (Downtown, Back Bay, Kenmore) and to inner suburbs such as Brookline and Newton. As of spring 2004, bus shuttles will substitute for service to Lechmere and Science Park due to the dismantling of the viaduct over Causeway St.

Commuter Boats: Inner harbor ferry service operates via Lovejoy Wharf to the Charlestown Navy Yard and the South Boston Waterfront. The schedule mostly accommodates weekday commuters. During rush hours, boats depart every 15 minutes. During the midday, they operate hourly. No service operates on weekends.

Route 4 is a commuter-oriented route. It primarily distributes commuter rail riders to points in the financial district such as Post Office Square, and transports commuters to the South Boston Waterfront.

Several other express and local bus routes operate via Haymarket Station and surrounds, which provide express or commuter service to points north of Boston such as Lynn, Salem, Peabody, Chelsea, Woburn, Burlington, Medford, Malden, Everett, Revere, and Saugus. **8,500 passengers** use buses into the Haymarket area each weekday.

24,000 commuter rail passengers travel each way on the north-side, based on 2003 counts.



Expected MBTA Changes During DNC - Rail

- North Station Closed
 - Orange Line runs through
 - Green Line ends at Haymarket
 - Commuter Rail shuttles into Boston

Due to the closure of North Station these modifications will take place to the rail service network .

1. The Orange Line will not stop at North Station and will run without stopping between Community College and Haymarket Station. Haymarket is 0.3 miles from North Station.
2. The Green Line trolleys will not stop at North Station. Passenger trolley service will terminate at Haymarket.
3. Commuter Rail will be discussed in greater detail later in the presentation.



Expected MBTA Changes During DNC - Boat

- Lovejoy Wharf closed to commuter ferries

More anticipated modifications to the MBTA service network are:

Lovejoy Wharf, providing a connection to the South Boston Waterfront and Charlestown, will be closed. 300 passengers normally ride, and will board other MBTA bus services from Haymarket, or use water shuttle service from Long Wharf.



Expected MBTA Changes During DNC - Bus

- Green Line Lechmere Shuttle Detour
- Rt. 4: no service
- Haymarket buses: detoured after 3pm
 - 6 City Pt – South Station only
 - 92/93 Charlestown loop
 - 111 Woodlawn – Wood Island
 - North Side Express Buses:
325/326/352/354/355/424/426
428/434/441/442/450/455 terminate at South
Station

2. The Green Line shuttle bus to Lechmere and Science Park will be detoured due to street closures on Nashua St and Lomasney Way. The route will be detoured via Cambridge St. to the Longfellow Bridge. It is anticipated that the detour will take 800 outbound shuttle bus passengers an additional 2 miles and 10-15 minutes
3. MBTA Bus Route 4 will not operate during the week of the DNC due to road closures and North Station's closure. 260 passenger-trips to or from North Station will be expected to use bus service out of Haymarket or South Station to the South Boston Waterfront.

Haymarket Area buses will be detoured Monday July 26th through Thursday July 29th after 3pm.

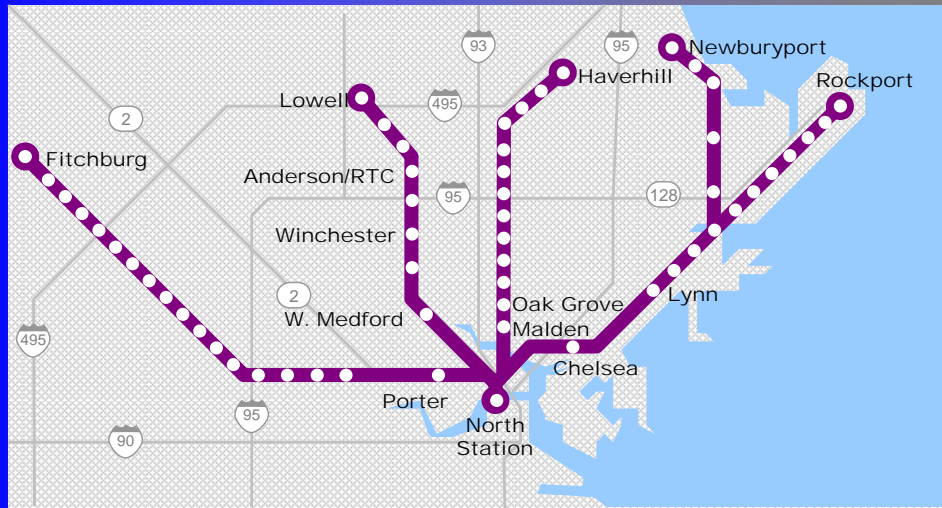
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**Detailed bus route changes

Rt. 6 will only operate between City Point and South Station.

- 92/93 will only operate in Charlestown in a loop from Sullivan Station, via Bunker Hill or Main St, and back to Sullivan.
- 111 will only operate between Woodlawn and Wood Island on the Blue Line.
- Express buses at or near Haymarket will terminate at South Station.

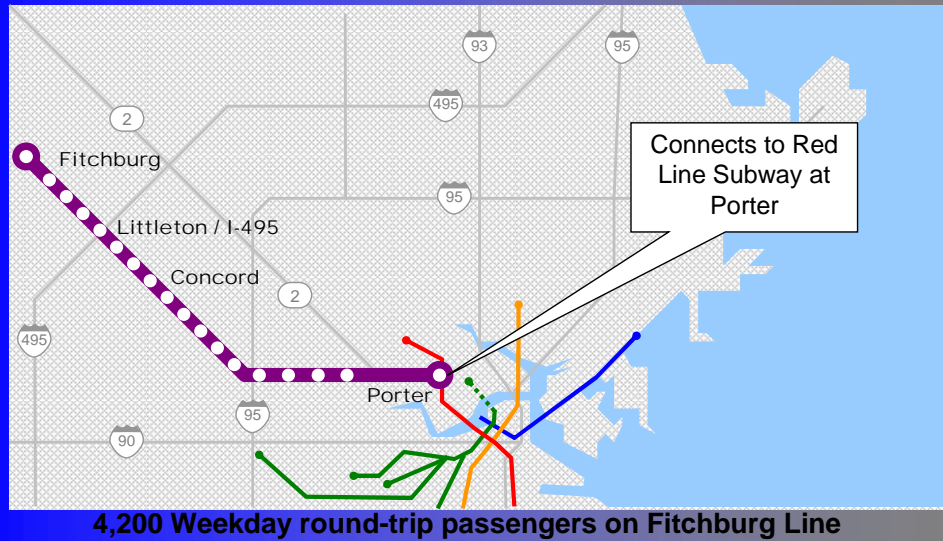
Commuter Rail – North: Existing Conditions



These are the existing conditions under which the commuter rail runs to North Station.

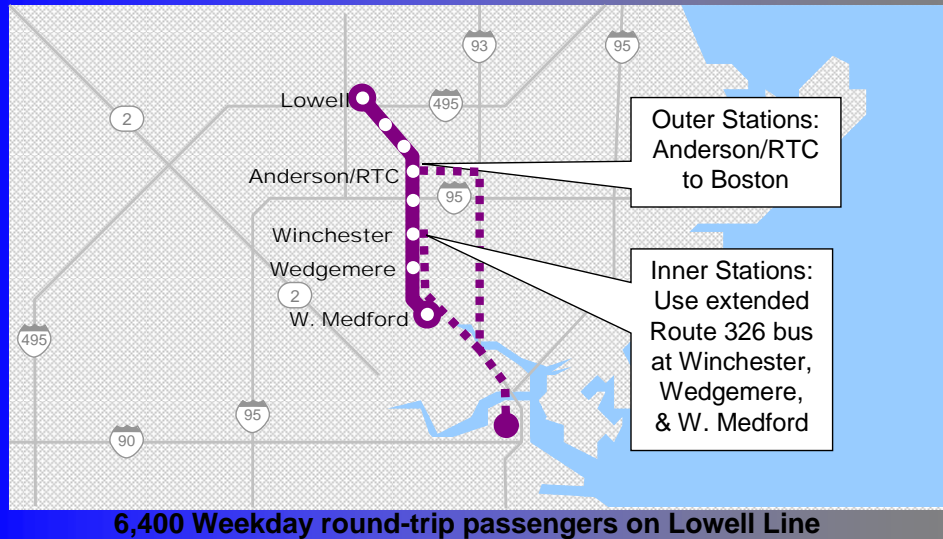
On the following slides, we'll show alternatives being offered during the convention.

Fitchburg Line: During DNC



The Fitchburg Line, normally services 4200 round-trip passengers each weekday. During the convention those riders will connect to Red Line subway trains at Porter Station.

Lowell Line: During DNC

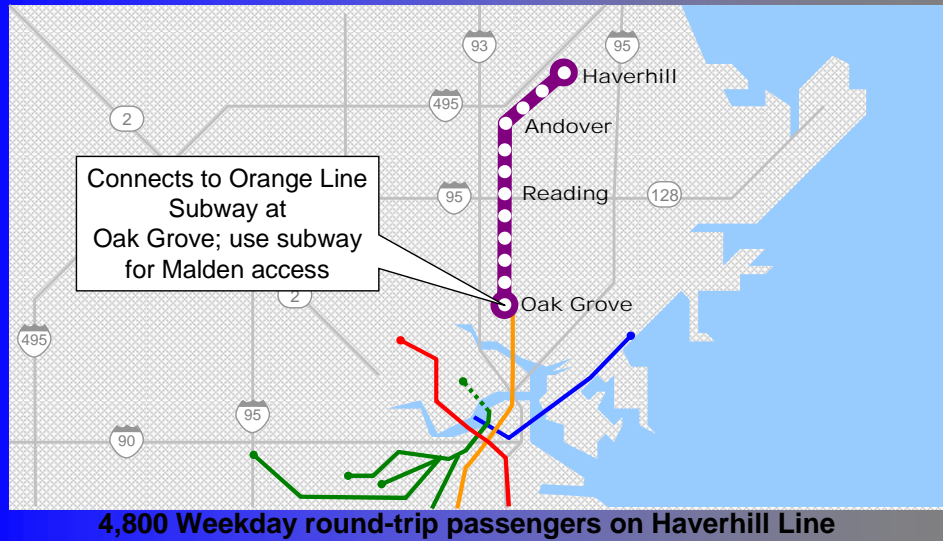


The Lowell line carries 6400 round-trip passengers on an average weekday. From July 23rd through the 30th those passengers at stations between Lowell and the Anderson/RTC will be bused into South Station. These buses will have access to the express lane on 93 into Boston designated for emergency vehicles and MBTA buses.

Those riders who normally board at Winchester, Wedgemere and West Medford will be transported to Haymarket before 3pm or South Station after 3pm aboard an extension of the Route 326 bus via the express lane on 93 into Boston.

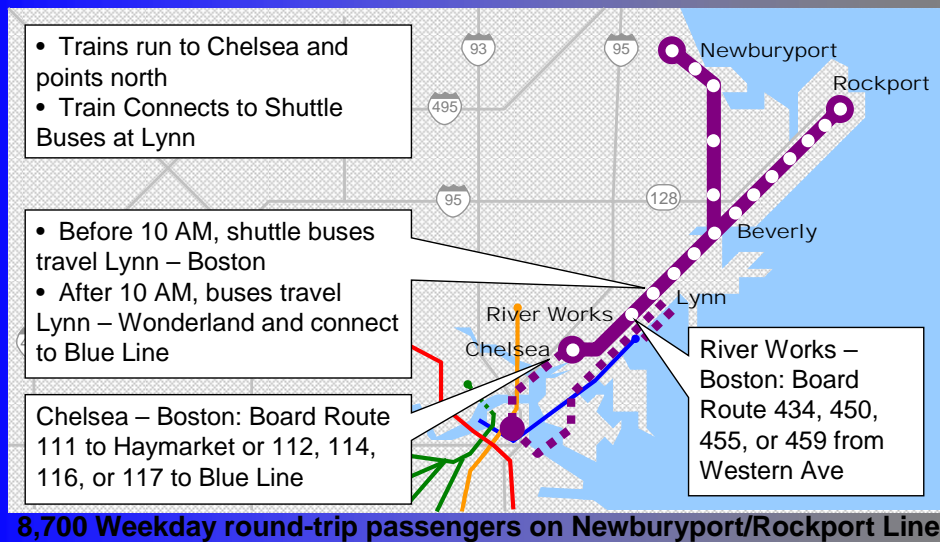
Winchester, Wedgemere, West Medford: For weekend service, use modified Route 134 service to connect to Orange Line

Haverhill Line: During DNC



The Haverhill line normally services 4,800 round trip passengers on a weekday. During the DNC it will connect to the Orange line at Oak Grove, and use the subway for Malden access.

Newburyport/Rockport Line: During DNC



The Newburyport/Rockport Line services 8,700 round-trip passengers on a weekday.

To maintain service during the convention, trains will run to Chelsea and points north.

Train will connect to shuttle buses at Lynn.

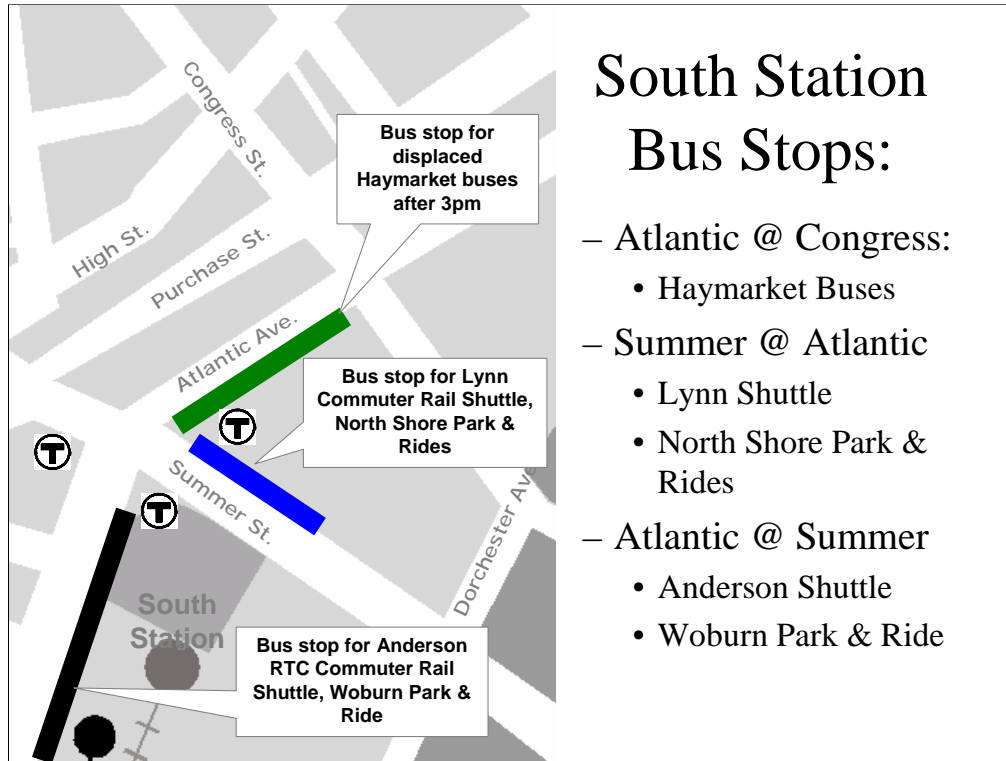
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Before 10am, shuttle buses will travel from Lynn to Boston.

After 10am, buses will from travel Lynn to Wonderland and connect to the Blue Line.

From the River Works to Boston, Board the Route 434, 450, 455, or 459 from Western Avenue.

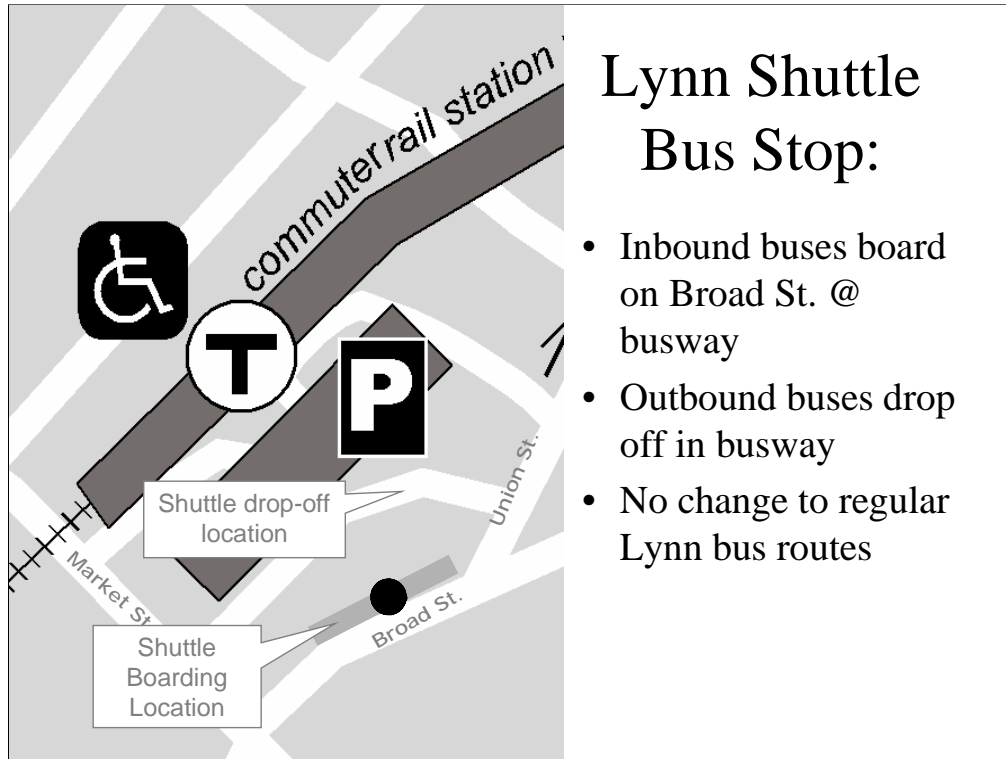
Going Chelsea to Boston: Board Route 111 to Haymarket or 112, 114, 116 or 117 to the Blue Line.



After 3pm, displaced Haymarket express buses will terminate in front of the Federal Reserve building on Atlantic Ave. before Congress St.

Those coming from the Lynn commuter Rail Shuttle and North Shore Park & Rides will use a bus stop on Summer Street.

The buses destined for South Station from Anderson Commuter Rail Station and the Woburn Park and Ride will drop off and pick up at a stop on Atlantic Avenue before Summer St..



This is the configuration for the inbound, and outbound boarding, and drop off areas in Lynn for the shuttle buses.

There will be no change to the regular Lynn bus routes.

AREA BUSINESSES ARE BEING ASKED TO CONSIDER:

- **Flex-time work schedules**
- **Off-site work locations**
- **Telecommuting for any eligible employees**
- **Carpooling**



Business and community groups,
DNC planners have been meeting with:

- UPS
- Federal Express
- DHL
- The US Postal Service
- MGH
- Boston Medical Center
- Fidelity Corporate Security
- Downtown North Business Association
- Gillette
- Partners Healthcare
- Beth Israel Hospital

The Host Committee- Boston 2004, the DNCC, Boston and State Police, the MBTA, Mass Highways, and the Turnpike Authority, are only a few of those partnering to plan and secure the DNC. These groups have already begun working with community groups, and the business community to keep them informed about how they can operate during the convention.

City Services/911 Response:

- Appropriate staffing levels for 911 response from Boston Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
- Boston Police go to 12 hour shifts starting July 23rd through 30th.
- Boston EMS is working with other EMS providers from surrounding communities to assist the City if necessary





Traffic and Parking Plan For City of Boston Roadways

July 26-29, 2004

To maintain safe, efficient access throughout the City during the DNC, a number of temporary traffic and parking restrictions will be implemented on Boston's local roadways. Streets surrounding the Fleet Center, City hotels, shopping districts, transportation centers, and a number of venue locations will be impacted. The restrictions will go into effect prior to the opening of the convention on Monday and remain effective until the close of the convention on Thursday.

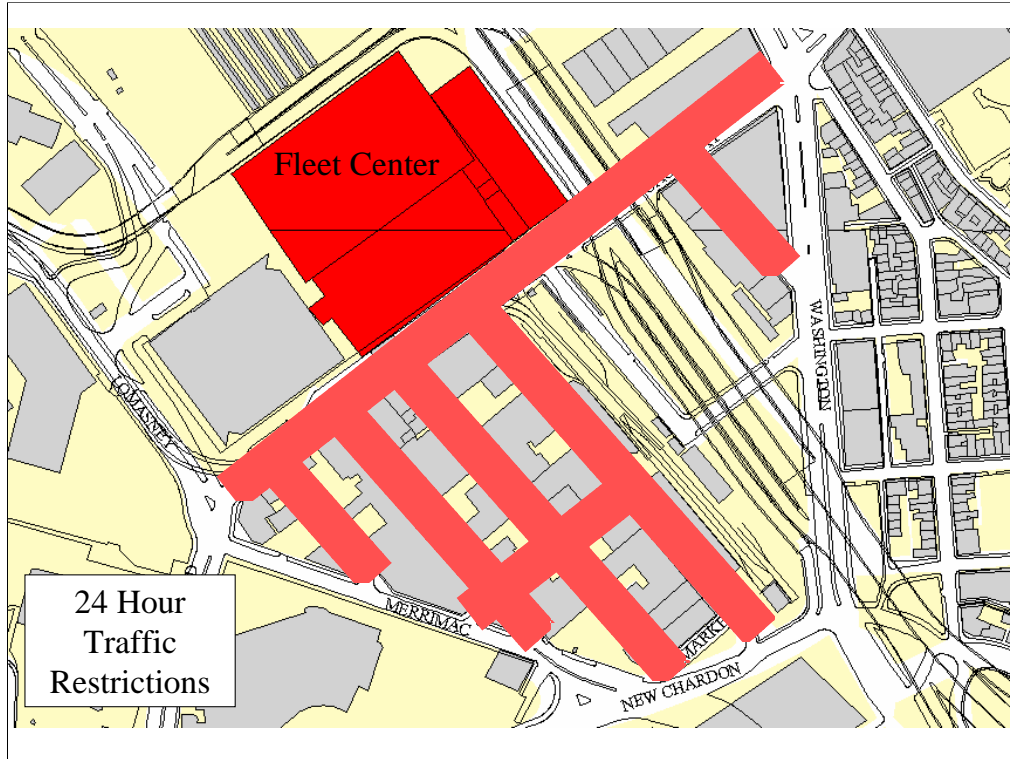
Twenty-Four Hour Traffic Restrictions

Vehicles will be prohibited from the following streets 24 hours per day:

- Causeway Street
- Canal Street
- Friend Street
- Lancaster Street
- Market Street
- Medford Street
- Portland Street
- Rip Valenti Way

Vehicles will be prohibited 24 hours a day from several streets, they include:

**(Go to next page which is map of these streets and has notes that list street names.)



Causeway, Canal, Portland, Friend, Lancaster, Medford, Market and Valenti Way.

Intermittent Traffic Restrictions

Vehicles may be prohibited from the following streets intermittently as needed:

- Atlantic Avenue
- Cross Street
- Lomasney Way
- Martha Road
- Merrimac Street
- Nashua Street
- New Chardon Street
- North Washington Street
- Staniford Street
- Summer Street

There will be intermittent traffic restrictions on at least these 10 streets as needed. More streets may be added if public safety concerns make it necessary.



Deliveries:

Bulfinch Triangle/North Station area, deliveries restricted to the hours of 2:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Delivery persons will need documentation/an invoice, which validates their need to gain access to that area

All delivery vehicles destined for the Bulfinch Triangle must enter through a check point at Valenti Way & Merrimac St.

Citywide, companies making deliveries should consider similar arrangements.

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Working with hospitals:

Boston and State Police are working with hospitals to keep traffic moving around these health care facilities during the convention.

Hospitals have been asked to put off non-life threatening elective surgeries for the four days of the convention.

Normal traffic to area hospitals:

- 700 patients go to Dana Farber daily for treatment
- 50K at MGH, Mass Eye and Ear, and Shriners's Burns Institute
- 35K at Boston Medical Center
- 35-40K at Longwood Medical Area

To give you an idea of how much traffic these areas deal with:

700 cancer patients go to the Dana Farber daily for treatment.

The complexes at MGH, Mass Eye and Ear, and Shriners's Burns Institute, see 50 thousand people daily.

And Boston Medical Center sees about 35 thousand.

These numbers include, patients, visitors and staff.

BOSTON HARBOR



- Locks Closed July 26, 12:01 AM through July 30, 2:00 AM
- Lovejoy Wharf is closed
- All vessels should monitor channel 16 for the latest information

Impact on Boston Harbor:

The locks will close at 12:01 July 26th and remain closed through July 30th at 2am.
Lovejoy wharf will be closed

And all vessels are reminded to monitor channel 16 for the latest updates.

When Will Things Be Back to Normal?



The Goal is to have North Station re-opened on Friday, July 30th, and to have the area cleaned up over the weekend.

And finally the question on everyone's mind.
When will things be back to normal?

The goal, barring any major incidents, is to have North Station re-opened sometime midday on Friday, July 30th, and to get the area cleaned up over the weekend.